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#### COMMUNISTS LOSE VOTES IN SWEDEN

SUFFER SETBACK IN UNION ELECTIONS -- Svenska Dagbladet, No 58, 1 Mar 49

Communists suffered a new setback in the trade-union movement in Stockholm. Communal Local No 5, the health department workers; union (street cleaners, garbage and refuse collectors, etc.) voted Social Democratic. Thus the Communists lost in one of their last strongholds in Stockholm trade unions.

The streetcar workers' union in Eskede, Communal Local 391, also voted against the Communists. Three Communists were elected to the board; the Social Democrats got all the other seats.

Communists suffered another rebuff in Local No 8 of the Railroad Workers' Union. The local's Social Democrats refused their request to participate in a unity demonstration.

COMMUNISTS' UNIONS DEFEATED -- Svenska Dagbladet, No 61, 4 Mar 49

The Communists suffered new setbacks in the elections held by workshop organizations at the Electro-lux and L. M. Ericsson plants in Stockholm to select new board members. At the L. M. Ericsson plant the Social Democrats won with 1,262 votes, while the Free Trade Union members, the Communists, obtained only 402 votes. Corresponding figures for the previous election were Social Democrats, 1,125 votes; Communists, 571.

At the Electro-Lux plant, Social Democrats got 410 votes to the Communists 161. Corresponding figures there for the previous election were 422 and 246, respectively.

COUP FOILED IN LABOR LOCAL -- Svenska Dagbladet, No 61, 4 Mar 49

Halstad Local, Swedish Communal Labor Union, decided to repeal the decision made by a former Communist majority to withdraw from the Halstad Labor Union. Instead, the local decided, 98 votes to 33, to remain in the parent organization.

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LAST COMMUNIST DEFEATED AT KOCKUMS UNION -- Svenska Dagbladet, No 61, 4 Mar 49

In the union elections held at Kockums Shipyard, Malmo, the last Communist representative was defeated for re-election to the board. Kurt Jonsson, with 914, was elected treasurer, while the former Communist board member received only 376 votes.

COMMUNISTS LOSE IN UNION BOARD ELECTIONS -- Svenska Dagbladet, No 60, 3 Mar 49

Social Democrats were the victors in board elections held by Local 232, Communal Workers' Union. Five Social Democrats were voted to the board. The most votes for a Social Democrat was 210, while the closest competition offered by the Communists netted only 45 votes.

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